## Exhibit 2

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                    UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
                    SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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                     CASE NO. 18-MD-2865 (LAK)
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        IN RE:
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        CUSTOMS AND TAX ADMINISTRATION OF
        THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK
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        (SKATTEFORVALTNINGEN) TAX REFUND
        SCHEME LITIGATION
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        This document relates to case nos.
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        19-cv-01783; 19-cv-01788; 19-cv-01794;
        19-cv-01798; 19-cv-01918
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          CONTINUED REMOTE VTC VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION UNDER
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                         ORAL EXAMINATION OF
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                        JOHN VAN MERKENSTEIJN
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1	as a defense in this in these actions?	
2	A Early on, we had another law firm	
3	involved. I'm bad on names, so I am trying	
4	to remember the name, and I'll think of it in	
5	a minute.	
6	Crowell & Moring.	
7	Q When you say "early on"	
8	A I'm trying to	
9	Q I'm sorry. If I can stop you on	
10	that one.	
11	You mentioned early on you used	
12	Crowell & Moring.	
13	During what period of time?	
14	A They were involved at the time we	
15	first started working with Solo.	
16	Q Did you receive advice from Crowell	
17	& Moring that you were relying on as a	
18	defense in these actions?	
19	A I can't I can't I'm just	
20	telling you what law firms we used. I don't	
21	know what we're relying on in this action.	
22	MS. MCCARTHY: Marc, I'm going to	
23	object. We've done a broad waiver of	
24	attorney/client privilege and we've	
25	asserted a reliance defense. So I	